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This is to express our opposition to enlarging the Long Beach Airport and increasing flights. We are in favor of improvements for security reasons but not to allow more flight.

The EIR study monitors located @ Long Beach Blvd. & 36th St. were not under the flight path of the main runway, thereby not allowing for true representation of either noise or air pollution to the affected neighborhoods and schools.

There are many violations to the curfew for flights between 7:00 a.m. - 10:00 p.m. Is that ever addressed with the airlines?

Many times, the departing planes make early turns on their takeoffs and go directly over our neighborhood at a much lower elevation than normal. This increases the noise and pollution levels.

If we are sitting in our backyard during the takeoffs of planes, we have to stop our conversation because you can't hear one another speak.

Additional flights will create more street traffic thereby creating more air pollution and traffic congestion. I don't understand how the assumption that more parking structures will decrease the drop off and pick up of passengers. I doubt that we are currently running out of parking space and that is why people are not parking their cars instead of being dropped off and picked up.

More time is needed to review the entire study and the study needs to be revised to include actual areas impacted by the various flights.

And lastly, who will pay for these improvements and upgrades—the airlines or the taxpayers?

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